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## Chicago routs lowa for GNT-C championship

A Chicago-area foursome representing District 13 blitzed their Iowa-based District 14 foes, 58-2, in the second quarter and coasted to a 203-75 victory in the Grand National Teams, Flight C.

The winners are Dave Hemmer, Chicago; Jon Kurasch, Northbrook IL; Robert Alps, Evanston IL, and Roger Solomon, Riverwoods IL.

They bested Bruce Scott and Tom Allen, Iowa City, and Paul Hazzard and Jim Boardman of Cedar Rapids.

The winners nearly had no team at all. Just before their unit final in the spring, Hemmer's partner became

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## Heller, Wooldridge shine in Prague

Josh Heller and Joel Wooldridge, two of North America's most outstanding Junior players, were the top finishers in the under-20 category of the World Junior Pairs recently in Prague, Czech Republic. They finished seventh overall in a field of 176 pairs in the full event.

They returned home on Wednesday and took a couple days of rest before heading for San Antonio.

Heller also was one of four who was given a World
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Cordelia Menges is the Patron Member who won Larry Cohen as her partner in the opening-night Charity Stratified Open Pairs. They scored better than $60 \%$, good enough for a section top. Turn to page 5 for the story of this partnership.


Winners of the Grand National Teams, Flight B: seated, Claude King, Henry Caspar and Tom Buttle; standing, Ringo Chung, Helen DeWild and Vinay Sarin.

## GNT-B crown flies north to Toronto

Members of Team Toronto, each sporting a Toronto shirt as a representative of District 2, were all smiles after they compared scores and discovered that they had won Flight B of the Grand National Teams. They came from behind to defeat New Jersey, representing District 3, 107.5-84.

Toronto competed as two three-person pairs. One group consisted of Henry Caspar and Tom Buttle of Toronto and Claude King of Mississauga. They play their version of Kaplan-Sheinwold, with weak notrump openers -- and overcalls! The other threesome was made up of Helen DeWild of Toronto, Vinay Sarin of Thornhill and Ringo Chung of Mississauga. Their sys-

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## Win cash prizes

 and masterpoints
## Today's the day!

Want to win some money? Of course you do.
Want to win masterpoints? Of course you do.
Well, you'll get your chance to win both today in the two-session regionally rated Stratiflighted Open Pairs at $1 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The masterpoint awards will be the same as usual, but the money prizes are special -- your only chance to win cash prizes at this tournament.

Since the event is stratiflighted, Flight A will be a separate contest and will have its own prize pool. The stratified portion of the event (B, C and D) will be combined into another prize pool. There will be a cash prize for first and second in each category (A, B, C and D). However there will NOT be a cash prize for the A/X strat.

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## Mohan, Lev lead Life Master Pairs

John Mohan and Sam Lev took a lead of 81 matchpoints after four sessions of the Life Master Pairs. Right behind them were Roger Bates and Robin Klar. Jim Robison and Larry Cohen of Las Vegas stood third.

The event, contested for the Von Zedtwitz Gold Cup, will conclude today with two final sessions.


They won the Grand National Teams, Flight A: seated, Robert Levin and Eric Rodwell; standing Jeff Meckstroth, Joseph Shay and Michael Seamon.

## Florida tops L.A. for GNT-A win

The star-studded Florida squad representing District 9 built steadily on an early lead to defeat a District 23 foursome from the Los Angeles area and capture the Grand National Teams, Flight A. The final score was 121-78.

The winners are Joseph Shay, Ponte Vedra in the Jacksonville area; Michael Seamon, Miami Beach; Robert Levin, Windermere; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa, and Eric Rodwell, Clearwater.

The runners-up are Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine; Jill Meyers, Santa Monica; Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks, and Ed Davis, Seal Beach.

Shay, a retired former computer company owner, won his first North American championship. His teammates have dozens of major titles to their credit, and Meckstroth and Rodwell are four-time world champions (two Bermuda Bowls, World Team Olympiad and World Open Pairs).

Meckstroth, Levin and Seamon were members of the winning GNT-A squad two years ago at the Summer NABC in Albuquerque. Meckstroth and Rodwell were winners of the event as District 11 representatives in 1990.

Shay, who worked for AT\&T for 17 years, started his own computer company, took it public on the NASDAQ stock exchange, then sold the business five years ago. He has been retired ever since. Three years ago, he took up serious bridge as a student of Allan Cokin. In the GNT-A, Shay played with Seamon and Levin.

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> Saturday evening Time to dress up


That means going whole hog tonight - go-ing-to-meeting special, jacket for sure, business dress or even formal. Texans may be seen in "Texas Glitz" with full sequins and dress boots - hats optional. Bolo or tie. It's a party — dress for it.

Of course, we won't turn you away if dressed informally - you will just be a temporary social pariah and all your finesses will lose and none of your suits will break.

## SPEGIIL EVENITS

## Saturday, July 24

9:30 a.m. - Noon

9:30-10 a.m.
10-11 a.m.

10 a.m. - Noon

11 a.m. - Noon
12:15 p.m

1-4 p.m.
1-5 p.m.
5-6:30 p.m.
5-7 p.m.
7:15 p.m.

11:30 p.m. - 1:30 a.m. ACBL president in 1997 and chairman of the board in 1998.
Alamo Ballroom, Marriott Riverwalk. Enjoy a sparkling revue by Liza Minnelli, Barbra Streisand and Patsy Cline, performed by Judy Cotten. Crab rangoon and a spring roll with honey mustard sauce is the special treat. Cash Bar.

## Sunday, July 25

9 a.m. - Noon

9:15 a.m. - Noon
9:30 a.m. - Noon

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. International Team Trials Committee meeting, Conference Room 1, Rivercenter.
11 a.m. - Noon ACBLscore Seminar with Jim Lopushinsky, creator of ACBL's scoring program. Conference Room 4, Rivercenter.
Noon - 12:45 p.m. 12:15 p.m.

5-7 p.m.

7:15 p.m.
ACBL Membership Meeting, Conference Room 17 \& 18, Rivercenter. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Bill Root, Negative Doubles, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. Root, Boca Raton FL, is believed to have taught more students than anyone in the history of bridge. He is also a noted writer and player who has represented the United States in international play and who has won dozens of North American championships. $\$ 15$ fee, subsidized by ACBL. Join the ACBL Education Department staff for a fun evening.
Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Curtis Cheek, Interstate Bidding, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. Cheek, Huntsville AL, is a former aerospace engineer who is now a leading professional player. He and partner Billy Miller were second in the recent Cavenish Pairs and third in the Cavendish Teams

## Monday, July 26

9 a.m. - Noon

10 a.m. - Noon

12:15 p.m.

1-3:30 p.m
5-7 p.m.
7:15 p.m.

11:30 p.m. - 1:30 a.m. Alamo Ballroom, Marriott Riverwalk. The Alamo Bridge Club presents "On the Road Again" with Gary Henry singing Willie Nelson songs. Cash bar. Ice cream and cookies.

## Board of Governors

The meeting of the Board of Governors will take place tomorrow from 9:15 a.m. to noon in Conference Rooms 17 and 18 at the Rivercenter.

## The fine points

## By Barry Rigal

Roman Key Card Blackwood is the ace-asking convention of choice these days. But it is not enough to be able to use the bid to identify the five key cards and the queen of trumps. The real bonus comes from its proper use to identify specific kings and queens in the side suits AFTER checking out the initial essentials.

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Board 10 \(\quad 7653\)
Dealer: East 108
Vul: Both J 8763
KJ984 A AQ
-AQ543 \(\quad\) KJ97
- AK
- Q 105
- 8
- 102
- 62
-942
KJ 9542
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This is a classic (if not especially complex) bidding hand from the second qualifying session of the Life Master Pairs. Even my grandmother would be a favorite to take 13 tricks here -- and she has been dead for 18 years. So the key is in the bidding. How does West find out about ONE key card -- the queen of spades?

Let's assume the auction begins $10-2 \mathrm{NT}$ $3 \vee 4$ - ? West bids 4 NT and gets the $5 \boldsymbol{2}$ response that indicates that the partnership has all the key cards. Now West gets to know about the rest. How? Well, subject to anything Eddie Kantar might have to say (and I defer to the maestro here), when you want to ask about SECOND round control in a side suit, bid it directly. (54, 6* and get the same general scheme of responses: step one denies second-round control, step two shows second-round control (not a doubleton), step three shows K-x, and you jump to a grand slam with a ruffing value. There are other extras with ruffing values.)

Since West wants to find out about THIRD-round control, he just asks for the queen of trumps, gets a denial, then bids 5a to ask in spades. 5 NT denies a third-round control, 6 shows the $\mathrm{Q}, 6 \mathrm{NT}$ shows ace-queen-x, 7 shows a ruffing third-round control, and anything else is extra and descriptive. Of course Kantar tells me that any scheme you want to play works here -- so long as you and your partner are both on the same wavelength.

Here, when East shows the $\mathbf{Q}$, West bids 7 NT for a great score.

## Visit OKbridge

OKbridge, the No. 1 bridge club on the Internet, has a booth here on the third floor of the Rivercenter opposite Salon J. Be sure to visit and get up-to-date with what's happening on OKbridge. Register at the booth for daily prize drawings for books and T-shirts.

The OKbridge dinner will take place at the Rio Rio Cantino from 5:30 to 7:30 tonight. Ask at the booth for details.

## Wrong name

Thursday's Stratified Senior Pairs should have been identified as the Willson Davis Jr. Stratified Senior Pairs. Davis, considered the patron of Unit 172, donates fruit to every tournament put on by that unit and is one of San Antonio's most enthusiastic players.

## Smoking policy

Smoking is permitted only in the designated area on the third floor at the Marriott Rivercenter. At the Convention Center, you must go outside to smoke.


## To win, you've got to lose!

By Barry Rigal

Alberto Calvo is a well-known figure on the bridge scene. For many years he served on the executive board of the World Bridge Federation as the representative for Zone 5, the Central America and Caribbean area. He made a neat play in the second qualifying session of the Life Master Pairs, capitalizing a little upon his left-hand opponent's inexperience to bring home a dodgy game.

| Board16 | ¢ Q J 1075 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dealer: West | - 7543 |  |
| Vul: E/W | - A 2 J 64 |  |
| ¢ 986 |  | ¢ K 42 |
| - ${ }^{\text {9 }} 9$ |  | - Q 862 |
| -109852 |  | - J 76 |
| - K 92 |  | \& 875 |
|  | ¢ A 3 |  |
|  | ヤ K J 10 |  |
|  | -KQ43 |  |
|  | * A Q 103 |  |

Special bouquets to everyone who reached $4 \uparrow$ here. (Should North have worked out that a diamond lead on the sequence $1 \boldsymbol{1}-1 \mathbf{N}$ - $\mathrm{NT}-3$-3NT would destroy dummy's entries? I think so.). But Calvo played 3NT as South against the predictable opening lead of a diamond. He won as East followed with the 6, an ambiguous spot. Calvo led a low club to the 10 ! West took his king and continued with another diamond. Calvo won and drove out $\uparrow \mathrm{K}$, still sitting with a delayed club entry to dummy.

East shifted to a heart. Calvo misguessed, playing the 10 , but he still had nine tricks for plus 600 and 58 out of a possible 64 matchpoints.

Of course if West ducks the $\mathbf{K}$, declarer is in the river, but he can still find a way back to dry land. He drives out the $₫ \mathrm{~K}$ and wins the next diamond to lead a low club toward dummy. West can take his king and clear the diamonds, but there are still nine tricks.

Sometimes it's good when your finesses lose!

## Good card reading

Kitty Munson saw only seven tricks when Carol Simon's dummy was spread, but there were good chances for the notrump game.


West led the $\vee \mathrm{K}$, and Kitty thought it over before she ducked. Quite often a suit like this blocks, but she wanted to see what West would shift to. The switch was to the $\$ 10$, ducked by East and won by Kitty. She led a second spade to knock out the ace. East had to think a few seconds before finally returning a third spade. That made Kitty reasonably sure East had the \& K

She was happy to see the spades split 3-3 -- now she had eight tricks. She pitched a heart from hand on the last spade as East sluffed a diamond. Now she cashed out diamonds, reducing East to all clubs. She led a club and put in the 10 , losing to the jack. When East had to lead another club, she let it ride successfully to dummy's queen for her ninth trick and 58 matchpoints out of a possible 64.

What if East had pitched a club instead of a diamond? The play would have gone much the same. Kitty would cash out the diamonds and make the same club play. East would be able to cash a diamond for the fourth defensive trick, but then would be caught in the same club endplay.

## Read any good books lately?

by Ray Lee
You sit down for Round 8 of the side game one evening in San Antonio, little suspecting that you will need all your extensive knowledge of bridge literature for the upcoming hand. White against red, you pick up as dealer:

> \& K 83
> • A Q 8
> -A 986
> s J 43

Forced by your unpalatable system to open this hand $1 \$$, you hear LHO overcall $1 \boldsymbol{\$}$, which partner doubles. RHO passes, and you have little option but to rebid 1NT. Partner raises you to game, the $\$ 10$ appears, and this what you see:

- 54

マKJ10 3

- K 102
- K Q 72
- K 83
- A Q 8
-A 986
- J43

East overtakes the 10 with the jack, leaving you no choice but to take the king. With seven top tricks, things are not altogether hopeless. Maybe the lead was from A10xxx, and when West takes her ane will be unwilling to lead spades again, fearing that you still have the guarded queen. Perhaps she's a Mike Lawrence reader and started life with only four spades anyway.

When you play a club up, there is a definite pause on the left (this is the side game after all), but your $\$$ holds the trick. Where there are eight, surely there are nine.

What is really going on here, though? You reassess LHO - no, this doesn't look like a Lawrence follower, and besides, that's a pretty old book. More likely she's been studying more recent best-sellers. Kantar's new defense book recommends leading the 10 from AQ109x, so that makes sense, but obviously she also has been spending time with Bobby Wolff's "Mentoring" software - "duck, duck, and duck again!"

Well, there's a limit to how many times this lady is going to duck, even with Mr. Wolff's precepts firmly in her head.

But what have you been reading recently that might help here? Aha, you have it! There was a BOLS Bridge Tip that went "Run your long suit -- something good might happen." Looks a better shot than trying to sneak another club through, so why not run the hearts?

You do that, and LHO starts pitching on the second one. A diamond and a club are disgorged fairly readily, but a long pause ensues before finally a remarkably reluctant diamond emerges.

This looks very promising, so you cash the top diamonds and West's jack and queen duly fall, leaving you two more diamond winners and a redundant (in terms of matchpoints) overtrick.
"Just a simple three-suit squeeze, partner," you say, trying to look modest. "Pity we weren't playing the Life Master Pairs - - we might have made the Daily Bulletin."

The full deal:

- 54 - K J 103
- K 102
- KQ 72



## Correction

The name of Tom Buttle, a member of the District 2 team that was featured in Daily Bulletin 2 for reaching the final of the Grand National Teams, Flight B, was misspelled. We apologize for the error.

## Wolfson team set for Bermuda Bowl

The team of Jeff Wolfson, Neil Silverman, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel, Zia Mahmood and Michael Rosenberg won the International Team Trials in Memphis July 11-18. This victory earned them the right to represent the United States in the 2000 Bermuda Bowl in Bermuda next January. This event will mark the 50th anniversary of the Bermuda Bowl, first played in Bermuda in 1950. Orbis will be the tournament sponsor.

The Wolfson team will be the second official U.S. representative in the Bermuda Bowl. They will join the 1998 Team Trials winners (U.S. I: Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Eric Rodwell and Jeff Meckstroth) in competing for the most coveted prize in bridge.

As host country, Bermuda will field a team, as will Canada, winner of a playoff with Mexico, as a fourth ACBL representative in the championship.

A total of 20 teams, representing all the zones of the World Bridge Federation, will compete.

## A marvelous duel

## By Steven Bloom

I was lucky enough on Thursday to witness one of the rare battles between experts who are really into the hand. Watch the thrusts and counter thrusts on this simple 1NT hand.

Q Q 2
$\bullet 54$
10543
$\&$ Q J 1087


Elaine Said was the declarer, my wife Betty was East and I was West. I led the $\mathbf{\$ 1 0}$ to the queen, king and ace. Elaine led a club and I cashed my two club winners as Betty played the 2 and the 6 , suggesting heart values. So, rather woodenly, I shifted to the 10 . Betty took her ace and returned the $\boldsymbol{\uparrow}$, covered by the 7 and 8 and giving me a big headache when Elaine played low from dummy. I finally played the 9 back, and Elaine won Betty's king. She cashed the jack and put me back in with my 4 -spot, throwing a heart and a club from dummy. This left:


I got out with a diamond, and you can see what was about to happen. Declarer would cash both diamonds and the $\mathbf{V}$, then play a diamond, forcing me to give the last two tricks to dummy. But on my diamond return, Betty played the SEVEN without any apparent concern.

This convinced Elaine that I held Q-J-x-x in diamonds so she could not endplay me -- but she could endplay Betty. So she took her three diamond winners.was unhappy when Betty dropped the jack, and exited with the jack of hearts! That would have been crucial had my other heart been the 8 or 9 , but as it was it cost the contract on this layout.

Wow!

## 100 in a row

This tournament marks a milestone for Hall of Famer Dave Treadwell. This is the 100th North American Bridge Championship in a row that he has attended and played in.

# If It Hesitates, Shoot It! Part 2 

## By Rich Colker, ACBL Recorder and Appeals Administrator

Yesterday Richard Colker reported on a grand slam appeal that occurred during the European Championships in Malta last month. He concluded the first segment by promising to show that such happenings don't occur just in Europe. This is the deal from the Vancouver NABC in March to which he was referring.

The Vancouver deal occurred in the second qualifying session of the NABC Women's Swiss Teams. The N/S hands were not reported. Never mind, only the E/W hands are relevant. It was Board 18, East the dealer, with N/S vulnerable.

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { A } 10 \mathrm{x} \\ & \vee \mathrm{~A} 10 \mathrm{x} \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\underset{\sim}{\Delta} \mathrm{K} \mathrm{Q} \mathrm{x} \mathrm{x} \mathrm{x}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| - $\mathrm{AKx}^{\text {K }}$ |  |  | - Qxx |
| 2 K Qxx |  |  | J x x |
| West | North | East | South |
|  |  | 14 | Pass |
| 2* | Pass | 2 (1) | Pass |
| 4NT (2) | Pass | 54 (3) | Pass |
| 5NT (4) | Pass | 64 (5) | Pass |
|  | All Pa |  |  |

(1) Showed a six-card suit
(2) Roman Key Card Blackwood
(3) Two keycards and the Q
(4) Confirming all 5 key cards and requesting specific kings
(5) Break in tempo (slight)

As you can see, 7 made seven, +1510 for $\mathrm{E} / \mathrm{W}$. N/S called the Director when West bid 7a because it was believed that East had broken tempo before her 6 did. West told the Director she believed it had been a deliberately paced auction, that she had not noticed a break in tempo, and that she knew she might be taking a risk when she bid 7a. The Director ruled that a brief but apparent hesitation had occurred to which all parties agreed and that West did not have the values to bid seven under those circumstances. The contract was changed to 6 made seven, +1010 for $\mathrm{E} / \mathrm{W}$. E/W appealed.

I won't go into the details of the bridge arguments made by the players at the hearing since they relate to the reasonableness of West's $7 \boldsymbol{A}$ bid and I wish to focus on the tempo issue here. N/S maintained that there had been a break in tempo before East's 6 bid and called the Director as soon as West bid $7 \boldsymbol{4}$

Both sides were asked by the Committee to simulate the $\mathrm{E} / \mathrm{W}$ auction. $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{S}$ simulated an auction in the 1-2 second per bid range initially but which slowed down after the 4NT bid, with about a 3-5 second break after the bid of 5NT including a distinct pause for thought of about 1 second. E/W's simulation was a bit brisker in the later stages but the distinct pause was shown.

The case write-up included the statement, "The [Committee] majority ultimately concluded that the events fell within normal tempo for such an auction." In spite of this conclusion, which I support (see below), some members went on to argue that West could have jumped to 7a (or 7NT) directly over 5\&, rather than bidding 5NT first, as a way to avoid any "huddle trouble."

Others believed that ruling this auction a "foul" would cause virtually all slam auctions to be subject to rollback. Most Committee members remained somewhat on the fence. They saw the key conflict as involving whether the laws demanded disallowing 7 a when there was a hesitation, albeit brief, and the bid was less than $100 \%$ clear-cut or whether a player is guaranteed the right to think a bit. (The brief thought
by East in this case occurred in a tempo-sensitive situation and lasted approximately 1 second longer than smooth tempo would have taken.)

The majority (four members, with three dissenting) finally supported the right to think without unfair restriction on partner and changed the contract to $7 \boldsymbol{A}$ made seven, +1510 for $\mathrm{E} / \mathrm{W}$.

I happened to walk into the room just as this hearing was breaking up. Bobby Goldman, a member of this Committee, immediately approached me and asked how I would have ruled, giving me West's hand, the auction, and information that partner had broken tempo (he said the pause was about 2-4 seconds) before bidding 64. I said " $2-4$ seconds isn't a break in tempo in a grand slam auction. Therefore, West can do as she wishes."

He said, "I'm going to force you to accept the fact that there was a noticeable break in tempo."

I said, "You'd have to put a gun to my head for that."

He said, "Click. If there was a clear informationconveying break in tempo, then we need to consider West's failure to bid 7as instead of 5 NT at her last turn. Six spades and six side-suit tricks makes 12 and that's putting only 9 HCP in East's hand ( KQ , A). She is virtually guaranteed to have one of the cards $(\uparrow \mathrm{K}, \bullet \mathrm{Q}$ J, or a seventh spade) which would make 7 cold, and even if she doesn't she must hold the QJ (which will put the grand on a finesse) or either the $\vee \mathrm{Q}$, the - J, or both of these latter cards which would almost always make 13 tricks on any of several squeezes, many of them "automatic."

There was no need to bid 5NT last time since the grand must be an overwhelming favorite opposite any semi-legitimate opening bid - and $\mathrm{E} / \mathrm{W}$ were playing sound openings! Even if bidding the grand was virtually automatic, we have evidence that West wasn't in touch with all of the inferences about the hand when she bid 5NT. A huddle can't wake her up to draw the same inferences that were available on the previous round of the auction. This is Hesitation Blackwood 101 If there was a break in tempo, then E/W can't be allowed to bid the grand. But if 2-4 seconds is a break in tempo in this auction, then there's something terribly wrong with the process."

I'd have allowed the 7a bid because I see no "unmistakable hesitation" (as Law 16 puts it) over 5NT here. In slam investigatory auctions, especially those involving grands, the tempo always slows down when you get near the six level (as the simulations of the auction by both pairs revealed).

If, after starting out with a 1-2 second tempo for the first three bids, the auction slowed down to a 3-5 second tempo beginning with 4 NT , how can a 6 bid that was within this range be discriminated as slow? Didn't East have to count her key cards and $\boldsymbol{\wedge} \mathrm{Q}$ after 4NT? Didn't she have to consider what to do with her void? (And what if her red suits had been reversed? What could East have been doing in the 3-5 seconds over 5 NT that she didn't do in the $3-5$ seconds she took over 4NT? What was this "distinct pause for thought of about 1 second" after 5NT which wasn't there over 4NT? Did East respond to RKCB and show her queen of trump without thinking about it over 4 NT ?

## Bah, humbug

People can't bid the way metronomes tick, with a mechanical precision. Some auctions require actual thought rather than reflex action, and grand-slam auctions are high on the list. The fact that a player (East)
gave some apparent thought to her action in such an auction isn't exactly front page news. If she didn't give it any thought, then there would be reason for headlines.

With East expected to think over 5NT, one second is not so long that West learned something unexpected I believe it is likely that West made an unthinking, reflexive 5NT bid (after all, it's fun and we don't get to make such bids very often) and then stopped to work out what she should do next. East's tempo didn't mean anything.

The fact that West hadn't planned her previous bid well enough (or she wouldn't have made it) and then didn't get the hoped for -6 response (making the grand a mortal lock) meant that she now had to think about where the contract belonged. It's the "don't think until you absolutely have to" sort of lazy bid that we all tend to make much more often than any of us would care to admit.

The Committee knew that West should be allowed to bid 7a, but couldn't make the "facts" fit that conclusion. They therefore made the right decision for the wrong reason. Their decision to allow the grand slam was unsupportable on the facts they determined (that there had been a hesitation), so the dissenters were wrong. However, there was no justification for finding an unmistakable, unauthorized information-conveying hesitation, so the majority was right to allow 7a.

What a mess our "if it hesitates, shoot it" mentality has created for us

And don't think it takes a grand slam auction to make a couple of seconds a non-hesitation. It would be a lot easier for Directors and Appeals Committees, and a real boon to the game, if we all took a couple of seconds before each and every call, and made a habit of giving the "appearance" of seriously considering our call, even one that everyone knows we are going to make - like passing partner's signoff after 1NT-3NT. It's not that you need to fool the opponents into thinking you are going to move over 3NT, but rather the need to establish a non-informative, deliberate tempo which hides from partner when you are thinking about what to bid and when you aren't.

After all, you can't bid quickly when you have a problem and need to think (unless you plan to play losing bridge), but you can bid with apparent deliberation even when your bid is clear-cut. If you train yourself to do this, then no one can draw any inferences from your tempos, and the deliberation shown in auctions such as 1NT-3NT will clearly establish that fact for the opponents as well.

I have one more case to discuss which will appear in Part 3 of this series.

## Save money when you play

Starting with this tournament, if you are a paid-up ACBL member or a Life Master whose service fees are current, you will receive a $\$ 1$ discount on your entry fee for each session you play. This policy will also be in effect at ACBL-sanctioned regionals. At sectionals, the entry fee differential most likely will be 50 cents per session per person.

You can do the math. Anyone who plays two sessions a day at this tournament would save nearly the equivalent of the $\$ 30$ annual ACBL dues or the $\$ 27$ annual service fee for Life Masters -- and that's not even mentioning the monthly Bridge Bulletin and other benefits of being a paid-up member.

## District 16 boasts long, colorful history



John Gerber


Ira Corn

District 16 began life as a series of units, organized in Dallas and Houston in 1949. A 1951 Bridge Bulletin account of the ACBL Board of Directors meeting lists Jerry Lewis of Dallas as one of 10 ACBL vice presidents.

By 1952 the league had organized into districts. District 9 was made up of these units: Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, San Antonio, Sooner (Oklahoma), Tulsa, Arkansas, Louisiana, Shreveport LA, Mississippi and West Tennessee.

Robert Y. Barrett of Houston was the first district director. He was succeeded by John Gerber in 1955.

The league reorganized its districts in 1956 and District 16 -- units in Dallas, Fort Western, El Paso, Houston, San Antonio, South Texas and Mexico City -- was born. George Heath of Dallas was elected to a one-year term beginning Nov. 1, 1956. He was elected for a three-year term the following year.

Heath was succeeded by Jerry Lewis, who served

## Normal result? Not quite!

## By Barry Rigal

When Glenn Smith, a member of the Board of Directors, and Cecil Cook, former ACBL president, played in the Life Master Pairs qualifying, they told us that they had already been doubled five times in making contracts. Then came this deal in the second quali-

| fying session. |  |  |  |
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| Board 6 |  | -432 |  |
| Dealer: East |  | - Q J 63 |  |
| Vul: E/W |  | $\text { ャ K J } 7$ |  |
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| -109852 |  |  | $\checkmark 4$ |
|  | -63 |  | $\text { - A } 109842$ <br> \& 98 |
|  |  | A A 75 |  |
|  |  | - K 7 |  |
|  |  | - Q 5 |  |
|  |  | \& Q 654 |  |
| West | North | h East | South |
|  | Cook |  | Smith |
|  |  | Pass | 120 |
| Pass | $1 \checkmark$ | Dbl | All Pass |

Plus 460 looks like a decent score for North-South. You all know how to score 460, don't you? You know, making 3NT non-vul with two overtricks. Of course this was different.

When I picked up the East cards it did not look right to open 2 . But I really killed my partner by doubling 1- -- which doubleton should she bid? When she passed, Cook gave the matter a lot of thought. Since he had no great defense against either spades or diamonds, he decided to gamble it out in $1 \boldsymbol{V}$ doubled.

I might have got our side a decent score with one specific lead -- a LOW spade at trick one! But I led a top spade, and declarer Smith was in control. He won with the ace, drew four rounds of trumps, then led a spade up -- now he had TEN tricks. That was 460 -160 for the doubled contract and 300 for the overtricks. A good score, but NOT in the usual way!
$\square$

## Bobby Wolff

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as ACBL president in 1963 and as chairman of the Board of Directors in 1962 and 1964.

Lewis was succeeded by "Big Ira" Corn of Dallas, who was district director from 1965 to 1980 and ACBL president in 1980. Corn is best known for organizing, financing and captaining the Aces, the world's first professional bridge team. The Aces won the Bermuda Bowl in 1970 and 1971.

Bobby Wolff of Dallas (who grew up in San Antonio and ran a bridge club here) became the next district director. Wolff, an original member of the Aces, served from 1981 to 1992. He was ACBL president in 1987.

Wolff resigned to become president of the World Bridge Federation and Dan Morse was elected as the district director in 1993. He continues to serve in the post. Morse also is an ACBL representative to the World Bridge Federation.

## Learn to play bridge with free software from ACBL

The ACBL has a new program to teach people how to play this wonderful game of ours. And best of all, it's free! You can get your free copy here in San Antonio.

Pick up a diskette or two and give them to your friends and family and you'll have no trouble finding a fourth for your next game.

Learn To Play Bridge was written by Fred Gitelman of Bridge Base, Inc. in Toronto. Fred is a world-class bridge player (with a silver medal from the WBF) as well as a world-class software developer.

The program has received rave reviews from the 2,500 people who have downloaded the program from the ACBL web site at http://www.acbl.org/notices/ ltpb.stm since it first became availabile on June 28. You will need a Windows/95 PC to run the program.

The diskettes are available at the ACBL Product Store and the ACBL information desk at either the Marriott Rivercenter or the Convention Center while supplies last. They are also in the I/N registration bags.

## Baron Barclay books

Baron Barclay Bridge Supplies is located on the third floor of the Rivercenter. All the latest books, computer programs and gifts are there, with hundreds of books selling at special discounts.

New items include Eddie Kantar's two new books on defense, " 25 Conventions You Should Know" by Barbara Seagram, and the 2000 Daily Bridge Calendar (you'll receive a 1999 calendar free with the purchase of a 2000).

The store is open daily from $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $1 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., 7 to 8 p.m., and 11:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

## Patron Member, Cohen achieve goal: having fun

Larry Cohen always has fun when he plays with the ACBL Patron Member in the opening-night Charity Stratified Open Pairs. This year, he got a bonus -- a partner who is also a sports fan.

He was referring to Cordelia Menges, the New York City resident who won the drawing to play with Cohen in the pair game.
"We talked a lot about sports," Cohen said after the game. "She's very knowledgeable." Cohen, a diehard Yankees fan, didn't even mind that Menges favors the Mets. "She says she can tolerate the Yankees."

Cohen and Menges scored better than $60 \%$, good for a section top and one of the best games he has had with a Patron Member in five years of playing in the charity game.

The many-time North American champion and best-selling author complimented Menges on her play. "I had been told by John Solodar, who knows Cordelia, that she is a good player," said Cohen. "She played great. She definitely has table presence."

Menges, winner of the 1992 Non-Life Master Pairs with Audrey Robb, is a Silver Life Master who has been to every NABC since the fall tournament in Orlando seven years ago.

A wife and mother, she is also a volunteer tutor at a high school, and she runs a weekly bridge game at the Regency Whist Club in New York.

Menges could not have been more pleased with the way the game turned out. "It was wonderful," she said. "Larry is a perfect partner."

On this deal from the charity game, Cohen felt confident enough in Menges' skills and experience to make a bid that he might not have made with another player.

| Dlr: South Vul: N-S |  | - A Q 75 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | - K 63 |  |
|  |  | -972 |  |
|  |  | - AK3 |  |
| 4 86 |  |  | -943 |
| - --- |  |  | - Q J 84 |
| -K6543 |  |  | - A J 10 |
| - Q J 10986 |  |  | - 754 |
| \& KJ 102 |  |  |  |
| - A 109752 |  |  |  |
| - Q 8 |  |  |  |
| -2 |  |  |  |
| West | North | East | South |
|  | Cohen |  | Menges |
|  |  |  | $1 \stackrel{1}{ }$ |
| 2NT (1) | 3* (2) | Pass | $3 \%$ |
| Pass | 4 | All P |  |

Pass $\quad 4$
(1) Unusual for the minors.
(2) Unusual/unusual: showing at least a limit raise in hearts.

Cohen and Menges had not discussed playing unusual/unusual, the popular defense to the unusual 2 NT , but he gave her credit for being able to figure out what he was doing. With her light opener, Menges was content to bid only $3 \boldsymbol{\text { , }}$, but Cohen had more than enough to carry on to game.

West led the Q , and Menges shook a diamond on a high club before cashing the $\geqslant \mathrm{K}$. With the heart position revealed, it was a simple matter to play the trump suit for one loser. Plus 650 was good for 7.5 matchpoints out of 11 .

## Lost

Lowell Andrews lost a silver ballpoint pen inscribed with "Concorde" on the side. The pen has sentimental meaning to him because it was a gift. If found, please turn it in at the Daily Bulletin office, Conference Room 16 , Rivercenter.

## Juniors

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Bridge Federation Youth Award. This prize is given for all-around outstanding participation in the Junior Bridge Camp.

Heller and Wooldridge will compete in the World Junior Team Championships Aug. 9-18 in Fort Lauderdale. Heller will play for Canada 2, and Wooldridge will be with the United States 2 team.

Here are some hands featuring Heller and Wooldridge (thanks to Barry Rigal for these hands from his Daily Bulletins).


West cashed two clubs and shifted to the $\quad \mathrm{K}$ (a third club would have been better, but how could West tell?) Heller won the A and played a spade to dummy's king to lead a heart, intending to put in the 10. When East split his honors, Heller won, played a spade to the ace and ruffed a spade. He conceded a diamond, and West got out with a club. When Heller ruffed high, East overruffed with the king and exited with a spade. But Heller could ruff and draw trumps, and he still had a good club.

If East doesn't overruff, East will gain trump control. He can win the next heart and lead a fourth spade to create an extra trump winner for himself. Plus 140 was worth 169 of 184 matchpoints.


This was another good board for the North Americans. Perhaps West should have realized that spades most likely were 4-4 after the opening lead of the 2 and the return of the 5 . However, he took the diamond finesse after winning the second spade, setting up the fifth winner for the defense. He should have cashed out the clubs, taking care to allow for a possible 4-0 break, and then given up a heart trick to set up his ninth winner.

A lot of pairs had trouble making 3NT. Of course, if East plays the contract, an opening spade lead puts declarer to an immediate guess. And it's also possible that North could make the deceptive lead of the $\uparrow 3$, giving the impression that the suit was going to break

## Spingold, Wagar pre-registration

If you wish to play in the Spingold Knockout Teams or the Wagar Knockout Teams, you must register by 8 p.m. Saturday. You may sign up with Steve Bates in Salon I or in the foyer of Salon I on the third floor at the Marriott Rivercenter.

5-3. If North does this, South should win and return the 7 to give emphasis to the possibility of the 5-3 break. This practically forces declarer to take the diamond finesse and go down.

This board, from a different set was a particularly tough one.

Board 20 ¢ 9
Dealer: West 964
Vul: Both AKQ J 109

* J 107


Heller wisely steered clear of the spade lead. He tried a heart to the jack and queen, and declarer could not afford to cash out all the diamonds before trying club since he might need a reentry to dummy. He elected to cash two diamonds and then run the $\boldsymbol{j}$ early on, covered all around. He played a club up to dummy, playing for split honors. When the defense took that, they had three club tricks and six spades t -- down six!


Second place in the GNT-A went to this foursome: seated, Iftikhar Baqai and Mitch Dunit;; standing, Jill Meyers and Ed Davis.

## Flight A

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The 64-board match was tied after the first quarter, 22-22, but Florida surged ahead with a 29-8 second set. District 9 added another 20 IMPs to their lead with a quarter to go, and the margin proved to be too much for the Californians to overcome.


Runners-up in the GNT-C: seated, Jim Boardman and Tom Allen; standing, Paul Hazzard and Bruce Scott.

## Flight C

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ill and could not play. Hemmer received permission from the unit to recruit a substitute, but there was one problem -- he had no idea whom to ask. Finally, someone told Jon Kurasch that Hemmer was looking, so Kurasch called and the two got together to discuss their card about 15 minutes before play in the unit final began. The two hit it off right away, partly because they both like playing a simple, standard system.
"All through the tournament," Hemmer said, "people kept saying to us, 'Oh, regular Blackwood'."

Kurasch, 48, is a trial lawyer who hasn't played much bridge since college but has been doubling his masterpoint totals at each level since he started playing in the GNT. He now has about 70 MPs

Hemmer, 24, is a mathematics graduate student at the University of Chicago.

Their teammates are actuaries whose partnership goes back more than 28 years. Alps, 53, works for the Segal Co. Solomon, 50, plies his trade for Trustmark Insurance. They played together many years ago as graduate students at Northwestern University, but haven't played much until recently.

## Section top prizes

Those who earn section tops may pick up their prizes at the Section Top Prize Desk (located next to the Registration Desk, third floor).

Saturday's hours: 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m., 11:15 p.m. to 12:15 a.m. On the desk will be Barbara Frielich, John Faxon, Carol Noble, Joe Nance and Barbara LaVigne.

## Cutting a rug

Bill and Judy Mannschreck of Virginia Beach VA earned themselves a free play by winning the Thurs-day-night jitterbug contest.

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A pair may win only one overall cash prize (the greater, of course). There also will be cash prizes for section top winners who do not win an overall cash prize.

The ACBL Member entry fee will be $\$ 90$ a pair -the regular $\$ 44$ entry fee plus $\$ 46$ for the prize pool. Yes, you may pay the regular $\$ 44$ entry fee and play for masterpoints only.

Prize awards are not official until the end of the correction period. Checks will be available Monday at the ACBL Check Cashing Desk.


They were second in the GNT-B: seated, Steve Albin and Dennis Thompson; standing, David Liss and Jack Brauner.

## Flight B

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tem of choice is Precision
Playing for New Jersey were Dennis Thompson, Lake Hiawatha; Steve Albin, Princeton; David Liss, Morristown, and Jack Brauner, Maplewood.

Things didn't look good for Toronto after the first quarter -- they scored only 3 IMPs while New Jersey piled up 32. But they closed the gap to 14 in the second quarter. "We felt comfortable at the half," said Caspar. "We had shown that we could come back, and we felt confident we could continue that way." They pulled ahead by 12 in the third quarter, then rolled comfortably home in the final stanza.

Why the half point? That was the result of a director's ruling.

Five members of the team has been in a Grand National contest of some kind before. Sarin, 50 years old, and Chung, 45, had played in Flight C three times and Flight B twice before. They also had a previous North American championship to their credit -- they won the Red Ribbon Pairs. Chung works for Canada Post, while Sarin works in financial strategy for the Bank of Montreal.
"I don't play bridge very often," said Sarin. "Helen and Ringo are the regular partnership. They play often in sectionals and regionals." DeWild played once before in a GNT -- also in Flight B. A travel agent, she is proud that she is a grandmother even though she is only 45 .

Caspar, 32, a programmer for Lombard Insurance, and Buttle, 52, president of Project Essentials, Inc., are a long-time partnership. They play together frequently on OKbridge. Caspar has represented District 2 in the GNT Flight C Pairs twice, and Buttle was a District 1 (eastern Canada) representative once in the C Pairs.

King, 42, managing director for North American equity mutual funds for Canada Trust, only recently inaugurated partnerships with Caspar and Buttle.

## New Life Master

Jane Bachman of Dunwoody GA (Atlanta) earned her gold card when her team won their second match in bracket two of the Bracketed Knockout Teams II. Her partner was Richard Taube, Marietta GA; Ray Johnson, Park City UT; Howard Piltch, Andover MA, and Richard Budd, Portland ME were her other teamates

## LEADING QUALIFIERS FOR LIFE MASTER PAIRS FINAL

 182 Pairs| John Mohan, Christiansted VI; Sam Lev, New York NY | 3118.63 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Roger Bates, Mesa AZ; Robin Klar, Spring TX | 3037.46 |
| Jim Robison - Larry Cohen, Las Vegas NV | 2968.98 |
| Brad Moss, New York NY; Fred Gitelman, Toronto ON | 2910.38 |
| Rita Shugart, Pebble Beach CA; Andrew Robson, Carmel CA | 2899.68 |
| Mildred Breed, Bryan TX; Shawn Quinn, Katy TX | 2829.93 |
| Jon Aabye - G O Tislevoll, Norway | 2780.58 |
| David Siebert, Little Rock AR; Peter Friedland, Los Altos CA | 2774.29 |
| David Berkowitz, Old Tappan NJ; Larry Cohen, Boca Raton FL | 2773.40 |
| Richard Pavlicek, Fort Lauderdale FL; Rich Pavlicek Jr, San Mateo CA | 2758.57 |
| Jeff Schuett, Riverwoods IL; Kerry Smith, Milwaukee WI | 2752.77 |
| Mark Bartusek, Manhattan Beach CA; John Jones, Lakewood CA | 2748.76 |
| Alan Watson, Malvern PA; David Becher, Swampscott MA | 2737.64 |
| Tom Kniest, Saint Louis MO; Karen Walker, Champaign IL | 2702.62 |
| Howard Weinstein, Chicago IL; Zia Mahmood, New York NY | 2699.90 |
| Alexander Kolesnik, Austin TX; Michael Shuster, Stateline NV | 2698.58 |
| Drew Casen, Coconut Creek FL; Richard Schwartz, East Elmhurst NY | 2696.39 |
| Gene Simpson, Redlands CA; Gene Freed, Los Angeles CA | 2695.26 |
| Henry Lortz - Wayne Ohlrich, Seattle WA | 2689.72 |
| Nick Bykov, Carmichael CA; Mark Ralph, San Francisco CA | 2684.56 |
| Robert Sartorius, Lake Hiawatha NJ; George Tornay Jr, New York NY | 2683.94 |
| Nancy Popkin, Saint Louis MO; Donald Stack, Shawnee Mission KS | 2674.29 |
| Ron Sukoneck, Annandale VA; Karen Heath, Austin TX | 2671.65 |
| Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR; Randall Pettit, Marietta GA | 2669.24 |
| Perry Johnson, Southfield MI; Geoff Hampson, Fenton MI | 2667.90 |
| Jon Brissman, San Bernardino CA; Alan Le Bendig, Los Angeles CA | 2666.46 |
| Shou-Ling Wang, Bethesda MD; A Brooks Harris, Berwyn PA | 2666.45 |
| Alan Truscott, Riverdale NY; Ken Barbour, Scottsdale AZ | 2665.02 |
| Ivar Stakgold, Wilmington DE; Daniel Rotman, Aventura FL | 2662.32 |
| Tom Fox, Fargo ND; Walter Schafer Jr, Bloomingdale IL | 2650.13 |
| Bob Jones, Delray Beach FL; Paul Marston, Australia | 2646.37 |
| Michael Moss - Bjorn Fallenius, New York NY | 2645.90 |
| Val Covalciuc - Richard Covalciuc, Omaha NE | 2640.35 |
| Nancy Molesworth, Croton Hdsn NY; Joan Stein, Milwaukee WI | 2636.95 |
| David Yang, Chicago IL; Xiaodong Shi, Highland Park IL | 2634.48 |
| Gail Greenberg, New York NY; Irina Levitina, Teaneck NJ | 2631.17 |
| Jim Backstrom, San Diego CA; Edward Molloy, El Cajon CA | 2614.60 |
| Jurek Czyzowicz, Aylmer PQ; Darren Wolpert, Thornhill ON | 2610.34 |
| Michael Rosenberg, Wykagyl NY; Steve Weinstein, Glen Ridge NJ | 2605.26 |
| Richard Oshlag, Germantown TN; Dave Smith, Newark DE | 2604.51 |
| Jim Krekorian - Robert Blanchard, New York NY | 2583.39 |
| Joseph Silver, Hampstead PQ; Pinhas Romik, Israel | 2572.62 |
| Alan Epley, Kent WA; David Gurvich, New York NY | 2569.03 |
| James Ward, Champaign IL; William Doroshow, Skokie IL | 2563.79 |
| Joan Brooke - Dave Glen, La Quinta CA | 2560.37 |
| David Lehman, Glenview IL; Dick Melson, Chicago IL | 2553.53 |
| Sheila Pies, Potomac MD; Robert Gookin, Falls Church VA | 2548.70 |
| David Treadwell, Wilmington DE; Jay Korobow, Princeton NJ | 2547.24 |
| Debbie Rosenberg, Wykagyl NY; Aaron Silverstein, New York NY | 2542.80 |
| Kerr Godfrey - John Zilic, Houston TX | 2540.95 |

FRIDAY EVENING 299ER TEAMS

| 34 Teams |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A | B | C |  |  |
| 6.16 | 1 |  |  | R Lee Davis, Jackson MS; Lee Kirk, Bentonia MS; Charles Callam, Bloomfield MI; Steven Vandenbrook, Birmingham MI | 101.00 |
| 4.62 | 2 |  |  | Julia Lucas - Carolyn Kay - Margie Brown - Elizabeth Meux, Wichita Falls TX | 94.00 |
| 3.47 | 3 |  |  | Thomas Grabowski - Marie Grabowski, Hockessin DE; Jerry Katz Joann Katz, West Chester OH | 93.00 |
| 3.21 | 4 | 1 |  | Roy Marsh, Conroe TX; June White, Spring TX; Elaine Dotsey - J Denise Hull, The Woodlands TX | 92.00 |
| 1.95 | 5 |  |  | Ashim Ghosh - M Baig, Houston TX; Walter Martin, Seabrook TX; Shyamal Bhattacharya, Texas City TX | 86.00 |
| 2.41 | 6 | 2 |  | Tom Cox - Sandra Cox - Jo Graves - Billie Graves, Austin TX | 85.00 |
| 1.81 |  | 3 |  | Eugene Cavanaugh - Robert Pflugbell, Austin TX; Susan Ohm, San Antonio TX; Carolyn Russell, Rutledge TN | 83.00 |
| 1.35 |  | 4 |  | Bing Wines, Oklahoma City OK; Dean Roach, Edmond OK; Louis Navin - Sharon Navin, Naples FL | 76.00 |
| 1.02 |  | 5 |  | Ejaz Qureshi, Scarsdale NY; Waheed Din, Elmsford NY; Bert Kabath - Eileen Kabath, Ormond Beach FL | 68.00 |
| 1.75 |  |  | 1 | Samuel Lewinson, Scottsdale AZ; Tony Pearlman, Trumbull CT; Oleg Fedorov - Violetta Chemeris, Austin TX | 62.00 |
| 1.31 |  |  | 2 | Roland McWhorter, Lawton OK; Bill Ferguson, Georgetown TX; Mark Kuntz - Jack Keith, Federal Way WA | 55.00 |

## BRACKETED KNOCKOUT TEAMS II Bracket 1

## 16 Teams

Mike Passell, Plano TX; Sheila Ekeblad - Russell Ekeblad, Providence RI; Barbara Stone, Framingham MA; Robert Stone, Arlington VA
vs
Dan Morse, Houston TX; Bobby Wolff, Dallas TX; Adam Wildavsky, Jackson Heights NY; Jim Linhart, Piscataway NJ; Larry Mori, Clearwater FL; Steve Scott, Phoenix AZ

Michael Kovacich, Stone Mtn GA; Robert White, Raleigh NC; Joseph Godefrin, Sarasota FL; Sangarapil Mohan, Oak Brook IL

Steve Catlett, Richmond VA; Paul Soloway, Mill Creek WA; Bob Hamman - Petra Hamman, Dallas TX; Richard Freeman, Atlanta GA

## Bracket 2

16 Teams
Jane Bachman, Dunwoody GA; Richard Taube, Marietta GA; Ray Johnson, Park City UT; Howard Piltch, Andover MA; Richard Budd, Portland ME
vs
Harold Feldheim, Hamden CT; Thomas Snouse, Loma Mar CA; Pete Robey, Buena Vista VA; Mike Albert, Roanoke VA

Lou Reich, Wheaton MD; Joel Wooldridge, Buffalo NY; Marc Umeno, Alexandria VA; Jeff Roman, Arlington VA vs
Allan Graves, Vancouver BC; Steve Levinson, Boca Raton FL; Thomas Carmichael, Iselin NJ; Samuel Marks, Dunwoody GA; Eugene Prosnitz, Bronx NY

## Bracket 3

15 Teams
Kent Hartman, Escondido CA; Sumner Steinfeldt, Washington DC; Phil Schaefer - Nell Schaefer, Los Angeles CA vs
Gary Powell - Marcia Powell - Stephen Bruce - Dena Bruce, Austin TX

Bryan Storey, Plano TX; Jack Lacy, Round Rock TX; Tom Edwards, Grand Prairie TX; Tom Breed, Bryan TX

David Better, Southampton PA; Daisy Goecker, Yardley PA; Keith Garber, Pelham NY; Ruth Stober, Great Neck NY

## Bracket 4

16 Teams
Karen Erlanger, Saint Louis MO; John Burgener, Noble IL; Rita Rosenberg, Cranbury NJ; Rusty Rapport, Englishtown NJ
vs
Richard Gabriel - Ellen Gabriel - David Marker, Chicago IL; Kay Beck, Indianapolis IN

Gabriel Tawil, Glendale WI; William Malesevich, Mayville WI; Rahn Smith, Boynton Beach FL; Linda Epstein, Boca Raton FL
vs
Rae Dethlefsen, Reston VA; Madi Drimmer, Sarasota FL; Judy Prescott, Trumbull CT; Florine Atkins Garber, Pelham NY

## 16 Teams <br> Bracket 5

J Evans - Kathy Evans - Diane Wiggins - G Vic Sowers III, Houston TX
vs
Arnold Kohn, Somerset NJ; Stephen Maltzman, N Plainfield NJ; Richard Ross, Highland Park NJ; Stephen Arshan, N Brunswick NJ

Gordon Campbell - Carol McManus, Calgary AB; Lorna McDonald, St Albert AB; Lloyda Jones, Edmonton AB vs
Robert Kent, Westlake Vlg CA; Marjorie Michelin, Venice CA; Howard Einberg, Los Angeles CA; James Glickman, Woodland Hills CA

## Bracket 6

16 Teams
Stephen Wood - David Sokolow - Alexander Labry - Patricia Griffin, Austin TX; Norman Adams, Brandon MB
vs
Ronald Jauch - Carol Stewart, Henderson NV; James Jacobs, Las Vegas NV; James Sylvester, Gilbert AZ

Philip Lentz - Bruce Gardner - Shira Jacobson - Anne Mittman, New York NY

## GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS FLIGHT A

23 Teams
100.00
$22.50 \quad 5 / 8 \quad$ Stephen Goldstein, Elkins Park PA; Rich Rothwarf, Philadelphia PA; Dave Smith, Newark DE; Harold Mouser Jr, Glenview IL
$22.505 / 8$ Randy Joyce - Kay Joyce, Raleigh NC; Bill Wisdom, Salisbury NC; Tom Rutledge, Charleston SC
$22.505 / 8$ Perry Johnson, Southfield MI; Geoff Hampson, Fenton MI; Allan Falk, Okemos MI; Chuck Burger, W Bloomfield MI

## GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS FLIGHT B

24 Teams
$13.505 / 8$ Mark Robichek - Franz Lanzinger, Sunnyvale CA; Rick Jasper, San Jose CA; Thomas Snouse, Loma Mar CA
13.50 5/8 James Glickman, Woodland Hills CA; Ari Greenberg, Malibu CA; Howard Einberg - Bruce Altshuler, Los Angeles CA

## GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS FLIGHT C

22 Teams
$9.00 \quad 5 / 8$ Josh Sher - Andrew Brecher - Arthur Weiss, Washington DC; Kevin Avery, Arnold MD
$9.00 \quad 5 / 8$ Christopher Webb - Lee Webb - Elizabeth Beckwith, Blythewood SC; Andrew Hurd, Charleston SC
$9.005 / 8$ Daniel Groves, Everett WA; Sharon Erwin - Iskender Khan - Rich Atwater, Seattle WA

## THURSDAY-FRIDAY CONTINUOUS PAIRS

500 Players
20.11
$\begin{array}{ll}20.11 & 1 \\ 15.08 & 2\end{array}$
11.313
8.48
$\begin{array}{ll}8.66 & 5 / 6 \\ 8.66 & 5 / 6\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{ll}8.66 & 5 / 6 \\ 7.05 & 7 / 8\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{ll}7.05 & 7 / 8 \\ 7.05 & 7 / 8\end{array}$

| Ernest Gordon Jr, Madison MS | $123.86 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Sarah Imig, Sioux City IA | $122.30 \%$ |
| Arline Fulton, Golden CO | $121.14 \%$ |
| K Voges, Converse TX | $121.02 \%$ |
| Shelba Parmley, Oklahoma City OK | $119.86 \%$ |
| Britain Beezley, Oklahoma City OK | $119.86 \%$ |
| Betty Hoopes, Augusta GA | $119.17 \%$ |
| Tom Carter, Cornelia GA | $119.17 \%$ |

## MARIE BAILEY EVE 199ER PAIRS

|  | A | B | C |  | 114.50 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 3.72 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Carol Wilson - Kenneth Peterson, Houston TX | 106.50 |
| 2.79 | 2 | 2 |  | Joan Slaughter - Gloria Stroud, Dallas TX | 100.00 |
| 1.83 | $3 / 4$ | $3 / 4$ |  | Nora Moore - John Moore, Southlake TX | 100.00 |
| 1.83 | $3 / 4$ | $3 / 4$ |  | Carlotta Caldwell - Guy Caldwell, Pearland TX | 98.50 |
| 1.04 | $5 / 8$ | $5 / 6$ |  | Joel Watkins - Billie Watkins, Hearne TX | 98.50 |
| 1.04 | $5 / 8$ |  |  | Francis Blevins - Lillian Laas, Kerrville TX | 98.50 |
| 1.26 | $5 / 8$ | $5 / 6$ | 2 | Lewis Brescoll, Fort Worth TX; Kurt Brescoll, Euless TX | 98.50 |
| 1.04 | $5 / 8$ |  |  | Ilene Grabel, Huntington Bh CA; Shirley Saltzman, Chicago IL | 91.00 |
| 0.95 |  |  | 3 | Gordon Hardin - Betsy Cooley, Austin TX | 82.50 |
| 0.71 |  |  | 4 | Jimmie Bernard, Clearwater FL; Karen Richards, Harvest AL |  |

## FRIDAY BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS

## 48 Teams

.46 A BEd Lazarus, Baltimore MDJudith Bloomer, Pittsboro NCKenneth Badertscher, Tucson AZ

Arlene Jones - Charles Reed, Denver CO; Bob Martin, Morrison CO; Paul Arlene Jones - CharleFL; Kumar Bhatia, Cleveland OHFalls Church VA; David Abelow, Owings Mills MD

2 Billy Dale Jr - Jo Ella Bolt - Billy Broyles, Junction TX; Joan Burch, London TX
$3 \begin{array}{ll}\text { Marty Bloomberg - Leila Bloomberg, La Jolla CA; Robert Erb - Sylvia } & \\ \text { Feiman, Palmdale CA } & 11.00\end{array}$

| HENRY BAER FLIGHT AX PAIRS |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 172 Pairs |  |  |  |  |
|  | A | X |  |  |
| 33.59 | 1 |  | Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL; Valerie Westheimer, New York NY | 792.50 |
| 25.19 | 2 |  | Joe Quinn, Katy TX; Ira Hessel, San Antonio TX | 785.48 |
| 22.63 | 3/4 | 1 | Janos Racz, New York NY; David Kaufman, West Orange NJ | 770.00 |
| 16.53 | 3/4 |  | David Stark - Valerie Ross, Des Moines IA | 770.00 |
| 10.63 | 5 |  | Don Probst, Fairfax VA; Earl Glickstein, Gaithersburg MD | 766.22 |
| 16.97 | 6 | 2 | John Uhlmann, Shawnee Msn KS; Bradley Furnish, Kansas City MO | 761.80 |
| 4.73 | 7/9 |  | Charlton Buckley, Glenbrook NV; Bruce Ferguson, Boise ID | 759.50 |
| 4.73 | 7/9 |  | Frederick Hamilton, Fresno CA; Jerry Gaer, Scottsdale AZ | 759.50 |
| 4.73 | 7/9 |  | Elvera Levine, Charlotte NC; Sue Cooper, Winston Salem NC | 759.50 |
| 5.17 | 10 |  | Linda Smith - Ron Smith, Hixson TN | 759.00 |
| 5.32 | 11 |  | Rebecca Clough - Roger Clough, Culver City CA | 752.50 |
| 4.43 | 12 |  | Greg Gault - Annalee Gault, Raleigh NC | 747.00 |
| 5.30 | 13 |  | Edward Nagy, Danville CA; Jeffrey Polisner, Lafayette CA | 746.50 |
| 12.73 | 14 | 3 | Jeffrey McKee, Arlington TX; Greg Resz, Dallas TX | 740.50 |
| 2.29 | 15 |  | Judy Schwarz - Phil Schwarz, Burnsville MN | 738.50 |
| 2.18 | 16 |  | Linda McGarry, Lauderhill FL; Laurie Kranyak, Bay Village OH | 736.30 |
| 9.55 |  | 4 | Paul Lewis, San Antonio TX; Scott Humphrey, Austin TX | 724.50 |
| 7.16 |  | 5 | Nancy Pomiechowski - Val Pomiechowski, New Orleans LA | 719.00 |
| 5.37 |  | 6 | Yasuko Shrenzel, Kihei HI; Judy Rimer, La Jolla CA | 716.50 |
| 4.03 |  | 7 | Andrew Brecher - Arthur Weiss, Washington DC | 709.50 |
| 3.21 |  | 8 | Harold Jordan, Wilmington DE; Greg Burch, Newark DE | 708.00 |
|  |  |  | B/C/D STRATIFIED PAIRS |  |
| 144 Pairs |  |  |  |  |
|  | B | C | D |  |
| 21.55 | 1 |  | Gerald Thury, Woonsocket SD; John Stern, Slayton MN | 407.29 |
| 16.16 | 2 |  | Leslie Reynolds - Charles Reynolds, Cincinnati OH | 380.33 |
| 12.12 | 3 |  | Sam Long - Dee Berg, Arlington TX | 366.29 |
| 7.96 | 4/5 |  | Gary Donner, Hilton Head SC; Deborah Murphy, San Francisco CA | 365.00 |
| 12.01 | 4/5 | 1 | Connie Martin - Barry Martin, Dallas TX | 365.00 |
| 5.11 | 6 |  | Laurence Rivkin, Dunwoody GA; Aaron Cohen, Lakehurst NJ | 364.00 |
| 4.01 | 7 |  | Carmon Woodley, Apo AE; William Perry, Riverview FL | 363.22 |
| 3.15 | 8 |  | Charles Hill, White Plains NY; Barbara Jur, Warren MI | 363.00 |
| 3.10 | 9 |  | Flo Curry - Ricki Perry, Midland TX | 362.38 |
| 9.01 |  | 2 | 1 Alvan Bregman - Peter Ashbrook, Champaign IL | 349.20 |
| 6.76 |  | 3 | Mary Anne Maclean, Gonzales TX; Connie Cone, Topeka KS | 347.50 |
| 5.07 |  | 4 | James Di Napoli - James Di Napoli Jr, Manasquan NJ | 343.50 |
| 3.80 |  | 5 | Andras Budinszky, Austin TX; Ortel Endre, Hungary | 340.50 |
| 3.78 |  | 6 | 2 Fonse Ragland - B Thomas McElroy, Dallas TX | 339.79 |
| 2.84 |  | 7 | 3 Patty Moncus, Fair Oaks Ranch TX; Marilynn Bergman, Boerne TX | 333.21 |
| 2.13 |  |  | 4 Marilyn Hansen - Betty Mayes, Dallas TX | 331.34 |
| 1.65 |  |  | 5 Christine Marincovich - Linda Besnette, Phoenix AZ | 326.33 |
| 1.75 |  |  | 6 Joann Mauger, Effort PA; Carol Hinchey, Dallas PA | 319.50 |

## FRIDAY EVENING INTERNATIONAL FUND/CONTINUOUS PAIRS

146 Pairs

|  | A |
| :---: | :---: |
| 17.66 | 1 |
| 13.25 | 2 |
| 9.93 | 3 |
| 7.45 | 4 |
| 5.59 | 5 |
| 4.19 | 6 |
| 4.04 | 7 |
| 2.36 | 8 |
| 3.03 |  |
| 2.27 |  |
| 1.71 |  |
| 2.80 |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
| 12 Pairs |  |
|  | D |
| 1.49 | 1 |
| 1.12 | 2 |
| 0.84 | 3 |
| 0.63 | 4 |
| 0.57 |  |

1ST THURSDAY MIDNITE KNOCKOUTS GOLD 12 Teams
3.341 Robert Whitcher, Austin TX; Varis Carey, thaca NY; Donna Compton, Dallas TX; Erin Anderson, Regina SK; Charles Halasi, Toronto ON; Kevin Bathurst, Thousand Oaks CA
2.512 Marco Ortiz, Bayside NY; Kari Tetzlaff Samuel Ehrlichman, Forest Hills NY; Daniel Levi, Media PA 1.67 3/4 Thomas Jahnke - Ken Navarro, Houston TX; Jason Ciano, Spokane WA; Wayne Ohlrich, Seattle WA
$1.67 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ Wesley Clements, Madison MS; Phyllis Sto-
ver - Margaret Partridge - Thomas Schmidt, Brandon MS

## 1ST THURSDAY MIDNITE KNOCKOUTS SILVER

 12 Teams3.341 Roger Smith, Sacramento CA; Sharon Fairchild, Rocky River OH; Barbara Nist, Bellevue WA; Alvin Levy, Commack NY
2.512 Joe Grue, Minneapolis MN; Brad Campbell, Smyrna GA; Jason Feldman, Claremont CA; John Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Chris Lubesnik, Glendale CA
1.67 3/4 Gilbert Stinebaugh, Van Nuys CA; Justin Lall, Tarzana CA; Steve Gross, Agoura Hills CA; Ellen Anten, Encino CA
1.67 3/4 Nicanor Prado - T. Richard Grammer Devena Watson - Carol Noble, Houston TX

## Calling the Director

Martha McGhee was IN chairman at the 1992 NABC in Orlando. This article appeared in the Daily Bulletin at that tournament.

Call the who ...? The Director! It's okay to call the director. If fact, if you don't, you may lose your right to call him later if you are damaged.

The director is the one who sold you an entry, the one who passed out the boards, the one who passed out the hand records and said, "Duplicate, please." The director is the one who organized the players and the boards so that everything runs smoothly at the right time, the right speed and the right direction.

The director is the one you need help from if and when an irregularity happens at your table. The director gives rulings pertaining to the "Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge."

In order for the conditions of the game to be fair, everyone has to follow the same rules. The director is familiar with these rules and is responsible for seeing that they are correctly applied.

The director is also the one who calls the rounds when it is time for you to meet your new opponents. The director puts the results of each board into the computer and posts the computer print-out of results after each session.

When you need a director, raise your hand and call out "Director, please" -- loudly enough for him to hear but not so loudly that it disturbs the other players. When the Director arrives at your table, he will listen to what happened and explain to the players the ruling that pertains to the irregularity.

Some rulings have several options. If you don't understand them fully, don't hesitate to ask for them to be repeated.

Since the conditions at each table must be duplicated as much as possible, all players must adhere to the same set of rules. The director's main objective is to make the game as fair as possible for all the players involved while ensuring that everyone has an enjoyable time.
rregularities that may happen at your table for which you must call the director: a lead out of turn, an insufficient bid, a revoke, a card missing from a hand, a bid or pass out of turn, failure to Alert an artificial bid, changes of call, disagreements of tricks won, claims with trumps outstanding or disputed claims, bidding errors, etc.

The director is your friend. Do not hesitate to call him or her. In fact, if you don't call the director, you may have lost the right to call him later when you discover you have been damaged.

## Goodwill Message

He's nice, she's nice, they're nice. It's a pleasure to play against these opponents, no matter your results.

Why not take a moment and tell them? Thank them for making your bridge game more enjoyable

Aileen Osofsky
Chairman, Goodwill Committee

## FRI AFTERNOON CHARITY/CONTINUOUS PAIRS

50 Pairs

|  | A | B |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8.17 | 1 |  |
| 6.13 | 2 |  |
| 4.60 | 3 |  |
| 2.66 | $4 / 6$ |  |
| 2.66 | $4 / 6$ |  |
| 2.66 | $4 / 6$ |  |
| 2.78 |  | 1 |
| 2.09 |  | 2 |
| 1.56 |  | 3 |
| 1.17 |  | 4 |
| 1.14 |  | 5 |

140.50
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122.50
119.00
116.50
115.00
115.00

## BRACKETED KNOCKOUTS I <br> Bracket 116 Teams

50.601 Janet Colchamiro - Mel Colchamiro, Merrick NY; Betty Bloom - Steve Bloom, Duanesburg NY
37.952 John Malley, Pascoag RI; Daniel Colatosti, Waltham MA; Paul Kinney, Jamaica Plain MA; Eric Lee Shukan, Somerville MA
$25.30 \quad 3 / 4$ Jim Barrow, Lake Charles LA; David Adams, Kennesaw GA; Ed Lewis, Falls Church VA; James Murphy, Chesapeake VA; Larry Griffey, Jacksonville FL; Bernard Miller, Boca Raton FL
$25.303 / 4$ Randy Joyce - Kay Joyce, Raleigh NC; Tom Rutledge, Charleston SC; Bill Wisdom, Salisbury NC

## Bracket 216 Teams

43.471 Phillip Grothus, San Antonio TX; James Thurtell, Dallas TX; Rosemary Kelley - Paul Kelley Jr,
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Austin TX } \\ 32.60 & 2 \\ \text { Robert Epstein, Atlanta GA; Jane Krause, Allentown PA; Charlene Sands, Austin TX; Beatrice Kemp }\end{array}$ Tucker GA; Sully Randolph, Doraville GA
21.74 3/4 Ann Brinker Schwall - Stephen Schwall, Houston TX; Joseph Odom - Nancy Odom, Sealy TX
$21.743 / 4$ Rod Van Wyk, Alton IL; Dottie Zike Stoppe, W Palm Beach FL; Richard Stoppe, Saint Louis MO; Richard Holmes, Wichita KS
9.78 5/8 George Nichols Jr, Columbia SC; Shirley Seals, Ponte Vedra FL; Yo Buehler, Williamsburg VA; Robert Rinehart, Northumberlnd PA
$9.78 \quad 5 / 8 \quad$ Shirley Jabon - Barbara Nist, Bellevue WA; Brenda Simpson, Spokane WA; Bobbie Goerner, Riverside CA
37.261 Bill St Clair Jr - Geoff Booth - Robert Sandfield, Houston TX; Victor Sitton, Sugar Land TX
27.952 Paul Foster, Scottsdale AZ; Brenda Kristensen, Venice FL; Andy Stark - Martin Hunter, Mississauga
$18.63 \quad 3 / 4$ John Johnson - Janet Fisher, Harlingen TX; Ross Robbins, Port Isabel TX; Walter Lauckner, Mission TX
18.63 3/4 Scott Campbell, Sun City CA; Sophie Kulbersh, Boca Raton FL; Myra Ribak, San Antonio TX; Chris Kindt, Middletown CT
8.38 5/8 Jim Haws - Jerry Keeran, Tampa FL; Sandy Ventura - Deana Gratke, Bakersfield CA
31.051 Thomas Clark - Bill Land - Oakie Domenech - Bob Eisenschmidt, Houston TX
23.29 Michael Walrath - Carolyn Hill, Fort Worth TX; Allan Mazer - Ruth-Anne Mazer, Towson MD
$15.53 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ Bill Morrison - Susy Morrison - Charley Venable Jr - Winston Gunter, Bartlesville OK
15.53 3/4 Thomas Corlett - Ethel Buzze, Waco TX; Kathleen Centorino, Chestnut Hill MA; Paula Craven,

Peabody MA
Bracket 516 Teams
26.301 Judy Hummel - John Ledet - Bonnie Bagley - Jerry Curtright, Colorado Spgs CO
19.732 Lewis Booker - Elizabeth Booker, College Station TX; W. Viser, Madisonville TX; James Hibbetts,

Bryan TX
13.15 3/4 Randall Dougherty - Judith Zimmerman, Columbus OH; Lynne Newman, Dublin OH; Kirsten Deutsche, New York NY
13.15 3/4 Mary Jane Murphy - Hedwig Barnes - Sally Armstrong - Lisa Hays, San Antonio TX
$5.925 / 8$ Dwayne Ballew - Marcia Ballew, Hot Springs Vlg AR; Jack Moore - Virginia Moore, Richardson TX

## Bracket 616 Teams

21.931 Jeri Martin - M Morgan - Lyda Glenn - Darleen Abbott, San Antonio TX
16.452 Roxana Tom, Campbellton TX; Katherine Gary - Dorthy Rippstein, Karnes City TX; Anne Hinton, George West TX
10.97 3/4 Michael Page, Cottonwood CA; Robert McGill - Carol Ann McGill, Orange TX; Sandra Weber, San Antonio TX
$10.97 \quad 3 / 4$ J Davis Jr - Donna Davis, Kingsland TX; Martha McClenagan - Jerry McClenagan, Amarillo TX
Bracket 716 Teams
16.101 Joan Torrance - Joyce Seitz - Jean Dula, Austin TX; Mary Jane Von Moss, Gaithersburg MD
12.082 Betty Hickman - Rosemary Quirk - Madeline Hyman - Virginia Luzania, San Antonio TX
$8.05 \quad 3 / 4$ Marilyn Halpin - Helene Rudick - Rose Calvin - Shih-Liang Hsu, Houston TX
8.05 3/4 Ross Jernigan, Marietta GA; Pam Feazel, Smyrna GA; Thomas Grabowski - Marie Grabowski, Hockessin DE
3.62 5/8 R.Steve Stewart - Trudy Trivette, Houston TX; Nelda Avent, Tyler TX; Benjamin Akkerboom, Apeldoorn 7312 CP

Bracket 813 Teams
11.501 Bruce Bedient, Princeton NJ; Paul Hern, Cincinnati OH; Wayne Dow, San Antonio TX; Marisa Grossi, Seabrook TX
8.632 Peggy Naughton - Barbara Phillips, Houston TX; Connie Davidson, Friendswood TX; Sara Stewart, Kemah TX
$5.75 \quad 3 / 4$ Joanne Young, San Antonio TX; Joanne Way - Delores Dubois, Port Isabel TX; Betty Knigge, Harlingen TX
$\begin{array}{lll}5.75 & 3 / 4 & \text { Marilyn Banta, Sunshine LA; Cledith Peterson - Chris Kempling - Shelley Kempling, Baton Rouge LA }\end{array}$
Bracket 912 Teams
9.281 Henry Corwin - Dorothy Rowe, Sarasota FL; David Wetzel - Michelle Wetzel, Mahomet IL
6.962 Gary Priestman - Eli Fluter - Gordon J Neill - Peter Lysak, Regina SK
$4.643 / 4$ Ejaz Qureshi, Scarsdale NY; Waheed Din, Elmsford NY; Deborah Brines - Tracy Brines, Newport
News VA
$4.643 / 4$ J Caldwell, Lewisville TX; Bobbie Beverung, Fort Worth TX; Olive Wood, Aledo TX; Michael Lombardi, Norman OK

Bracket 1012 Teams
8.431 Jerry Newcomb - Carolyn Newcomb - Maxine Divine - Ilene Matteson, Littleton CO
6.322 Terri Tedford - Nancy Harris, Odessa TX; Donnita Cunningham - Wilbur Cunningham, Big Spring TX
$4.223 / 4 \quad$ Ashim Ghosh - M Baig, Houston TX; Shyamal Bhattacharya, Texas City TX; Walter Martin, Seabrook TX
$4.223 / 4$ Lorna Gieber - Leona Rieger - Mary Stafford - Phyllis Tate, Austin TX

## BOSTON MORNING CONTINUOUS/SIDE PAIRS

38 Pairs

4.40
3.30
2.48
2.33
3.03
1.63
2.27
1.70
1.28
1.23
0.86
0.63

B
Don Campbell, Saskatoon SK; Ken Gee, Regina SK
Michael True, Mechani Falls ME; Dorol Kelleher, Portand ME
John Shufelt, W Bloomfield MI; Allan Cokin, Palm Beach FL
Eric Rodwell, Naperville IL; Leslie Reynolds, Cincinnati OH
1 Jane Bachman - Ronald Bachman, Dunwoody GA
John Russell, North Barringto IL; Leonard Ernst, Las Vegas NV
2 Paul Hern, Cincinnati OH; Bruce Bedient, Princeton NJ
3 Lisa Kow, Concord CA; Alan Epley, Kent WA
4 Barbara Phillips, Houston TX; Sara Stewart, Kemah TX
5 Larry Gariepy, Hanover NH; James Golden, Idaho Falls ID
6/7 Marie Grabowski, Hockessin DE; Gary Priestman, Regina SK
6/7 Ed Williams, Dearborn MI; Kurt Dasher, Petersburg MI

1ST FRIDAY MORNING 199ER PAIRS
20 Pairs

|  | A | B | C |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2.57 | 1 |  |  |
| 1.93 | 2 | 1 |  |
| 1.45 | 3 | 2 |  |
| 1.47 | $4 / 5$ | $3 / 4$ | 1 |
| 0.95 | $4 / 5$ | $3 / 4$ |  |
| 1.10 | 6 |  | 2 |
| 0.83 |  |  | 3 |

> Marcia Jameson, Austin TX; Jean Kinzer, Monument CO
> Ashok Shingavi, Houston TX; Nandlal Khatri, Sugar Land TX
> Gwynne Clark - Marge Fridlund, Austin TX
75.00
72.33
69.50
69.50
67.17
61.50

BOSTON AFTERNOON 0-5/20 PAIRS
20 Pairs

|  | A | B | C |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4.88 | 1 | 1 |  | Nandlal Khatri, Sugar Land TX; Ashok Shingavi, Houston TX |
| 3.66 | 2 | 2 |  | Jeffrey Nash, Houston TX; Carol Lynn Aiton, Seabrook TX |
| 2.75 | 3 |  |  | Dean Roach, Edmond OK; Bing Wines, Oklahoma City OK |
| 2.06 | 4 | 3 | 1 | Karen Verdirame - Elaine Martin, Omaha NE |
| 1.54 | 5 | 4 |  | Lela Smith - G Smith, Decatur IL |
| 1.54 | 6 |  |  | Bela Borsos, San Antonio TX; Celeste Godfrey, Austin TX |
| 1.54 |  | 5 | 2 | Carol Wilson - Kenneth Peterson, Houston TX |
| 1.13 |  | 6 | 3 | Roland McWhorter, Lawton OK; Bill Ferguson, Georgetown TX |
| 0.84 |  |  | 4 | Jimmie Bernard, Clearwater FL; Karen Richards, Harvest AL |
| 0.63 |  |  | 5 | Laura Murphey - Ron Segerlind, Dallas TX |

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\begin{array}{lccl}
1.87 & 1 & & \text { John Catalano, San Antonio TX; Bob Houston, Victoria TX } \\
1.40 & 2 & 1 & \text { Ginny Hutchinson - Tom Hutchinson, Canyon Lake TX } \\
0.92 & 3 / 4 & & \text { Richard Beck - Nora Jean Beck, Aransas Pass TX } \\
0.92 & 3 / 4 & 2 & \text { Mary Miller - Robert Miller, Manchester CT } \\
0.59 & 5 & 3 & \text { Joyce Ryan - Bobbie Walker, Houston TX } \\
0.47 & 6 & & \text { James Bomberger - Elizabeth Bomberger, Plano TX }
\end{array}
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## BOSTON AFTERNOON 199ER PAIRS

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169.50
165.50
163.00
160.50
42.00
37.50


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NORTH-SOUTH
Jool Watkins - Billie Watkins, Hearne TX
Gus Becker - Diana Lecuona, Laredo TX
J. Norman Gober, Cedar Hill TX; Charles Boutelle, Garland TX
James Hacker - Carol Hacker, Mount Clemens MI
Jimmie Bernard, Clearwater FL; Karen Richards, Harvest AL
NORTH-SOUTH
Nora Moore - John Moore, Southlake TX
oyce Norton - Laurie Goldberg, Laredo TX
Gordon Hardin - Betsy Cooley, Austin TX
Eugene Wilson - Ellie Fox, Fort Myers FL
Tom Birmingham - Margaret Birmingham, Mission TX
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## NORTH-SOUTH

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Frances Finkle, Lambertville NJ; Ken McConnell, Dallas TX Mary Angela Joseph - Hal Joseph, Indian Wells CA
MARIE BAILEY EVE 199ER PAIRS FRIDAY EVENING

## CHARITY KNOCKOUTS

Bracket 116 Teams
Jim Barrow, Lake Charles LA; Hugh Maclean, Gonzales TX; Peter Friedland, Los Altos CA; Michael White, Atlanta GA; David Siebert, Little Rock AR; David Adams, Kennesaw GA

James Murphy, Chesapeake VA; Ed Lewis, Falls Church VA; Richard De Martino, Riverside CT; Charles Coon, Marshfield MA; John Stiefel, Wethersfield CT; Pat McDevitt, Brookline MA

## Bracket 216 Teams

Daniel Boye - Larry Sunser, Syracuse NY; Steven Barcus, Sorrento FL; Samuel Marks, Dunwoody GA; Barrett Raff, Johnson City NY

Barry Turner, Richardson TX; John Schwartz, Plano TX; Jan Assini, Aurora OH; Laurie Kranyak - John Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Gavin Wolpert, Thornhill ON

## Bracket 315 Teams

Ronnie Ferestien, Waban MA; Marina Polestra, Boston MA; Roberto Verthelyi, New York NY; Saeed Shah, Lahore vs
N Paasch, Moorhead MN; Betsy Downs - Mike Jones, Chicago IL; Daniel Zagorin, Skokie IL

## Bracket 416 Teams

Laurence Rivkin, Dunwoody GA; Bob Jones, Marietta GA; Nick White, Woodstock GA; Kenneth King, Raleigh NC vs
Harlan Barnard, New York NY; Henry Griffin, South Salem NY; Barbara Hanby, Katy TX; Barbara Courtright, Houston TX

## Bracket 512 Teams

Wentao Chen - Ying Yuan - Yaqi Zhu, Bellevue WA; Mac Kowalczyk, Newcastle WA

Michael Lynch - Charles Markowitz - Shih-Liang Hsu - Rose Calvin, Houston TX

## Bracket 611 Teams

Robert Bergbower - Joe Howard - Keith Marks, Lake Kiowa TX; Richard Carroll, Gainesville TX
vs
Greg Bruce, Santa Barbara CA; Roger Holyer Black, Tempe AZ; Mary Bushmiaer, Nashville TN; Mildred Klarfield, Houston TX

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

## Houston Day \& Dress-up Night

*Unless otherwise indicated, Strati-Flighted Open events are divided: A/X (3000+, 0-3000); separate from B/C/D (750-1500, 300-750, 0-300). Strat breaks for Stratified Open and Stratified Senior events are: A (1500+), B (500-1500), C ( $0-500$ ). For Continuous Pairs and single-session open events, strat breaks are: A (750+), B (0-750).
**Members whose payment of dues is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.

| Event | Saturday, July 24, 1999, 9:00 a.m. |  |  | Sold |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Session | Entry/player/session |  |  |
|  |  | ACBL members** | Others |  |
| Charity Bracketed KO Teams | 4th | \$11 | \$12 | Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall |
| Boston Morning Continuous/Side Pairs I* | 3rd single session | \$11 | \$12 | Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall |
| Houston New Player Services Stratified 199er Pairs | single session | \$10 | \$11 | Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall |
| Houston New Player Svces Stratified 299er Swiss Tms | single session | \$10 | \$11 | Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall |

Saturday, July 24, 1999, 10:00 a.m. \& 3:00 p.m.
Murrell Wood Memorial Stratified Senior Pairs* two sessions \$11 \$12
Saturday, July 24, 1999, 1:00 p.m.

| LIFE MASTER PAIRS | two final sessions | \$13.50 | \$14.50 | Marriott Salon J |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Houston Unit 174 Strati-Flighted Open Pairs* |  |  |  |  |
| Flight A/X | two sessions | \$11 | \$12 | Marriott Salon I Foyer |
| Optional cash prize pool for A (not X), \$46 additional per pair |  |  |  |  |
| Flight B/C/D | two sessions | \$11 | \$12 | Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, front end |
| Optional cash prize pool for B, C, and D, \$46 additional per pair |  |  |  |  |
| Bracketed KO Teams II | sessions 3-4 | \$11 | \$12 | Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, far end |
| Bracketed KO Teams III (Continues Sunday) | sessions 1-2 | \$11 | \$12 | Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, far end |
| Saturday-Sunday Continuous/Side Pairs* | 1st single session | \$11 | \$12 | Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, front end |
| Bridge Plus (14 hands) |  | no card fee |  | Marriott Salon A |
| Houston New Player Services 199er, 99er \& 49er Pairs | single session | \$10 | \$11 | Marriott Salon A |
| Houston New Player Services 0-20 \& 0-5 Pairs | single session | \$10 | \$10 | Marriott Salon A |

Saturday, July 24, 1999, 8:00 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday Continuous/Side Pairs*
Houston 2002 Summer NABC
Stratified Board-a-Match Teams*
Houston New Player Services 199er, 99er \& 49er Pairs
Houston New Player Services 0-20 \& 0-5 Pairs
299er Stratified Swiss Teams

Meredith's Midnight Zip KO Teams
single session
single session single session single session
\$11 \$12
$\$ 10$
$\$ 11$
$\$ 10 \quad \$ 11$ $\$ 10 \quad \$ 10$
$\$ 10 \quad \$ 11$

Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, front end Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, center

Marriott Salon A
Marriott Salon A
Marriott Salon A

## Saturday, July 24, 1999, midnight

single session $\quad \$ 10 \quad$ Marriott Salon A

Pre-registration for the Spingold and Wagar Women's Knockout Teams required by 8:00 p.m. Saturday.

## TOMORROW'S SCHEDULE

## Fort Worth Day

*Unless otherwise indicated, Strati-Flighted Open events are divided: A/X (3000+, 0-3000); separate from B/C/D (750-1500, 300-750, 0-300). Strat breaks for Stratified Open and Stratified Senior events are: A (1500+), B (500-1500), C (0-500). For Continuous Pairs and single-session open events, strat breaks are: A (750+), B (0-750).
**Members whose payment of dues is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.

## Sunday, July 25, 1999, 9:00 a.m.

| Event | Sunday, July 25, 1999, 9:00 a.m. |  |  | Sold |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Session | Entry/player/session |  |  |
|  |  | ACBL members** | Others |  |
| Morning Continuous/Side Pairs I* | 4th single session | \$11 | \$12 | Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall |
| Elizabeth \& Dewitt Hudson Stratified 199er Pairs | single session | \$10 | \$11 | Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall |
| Edward \& Rosabelle Tann Stratified 299er Swiss Teams | single session | \$10 | \$11 | Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall |
| Fort Western Unit 183 Stratified Senior Swiss Teams* | Sunday, July 25, 1999, 10:00 a.m. \& 3:00 p.m. |  |  |  |
|  | two sessions | \$11 | \$12 | Marriott Salon E |
|  | Sunday, | July 25, 1999, |  |  |
| SPINGOLD KO TEAMS | Round 1, two sessions | s \$13.50 | \$14.50 | Marriott Salon I |
| WAGAR WOMEN'S KO TEAMS | Round 1, two sessions | S $\quad \$ 13.50$ | \$14.50 | Marriott Salon I |
| Georgie Jaeger Strati-Flighted Open Swiss Teams* |  |  |  |  |
| Flight A/X | two sessions playthru | \$11 | \$12 | Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, front end |
| Flight B/C/D | two sessions playthru | \$11 | \$12 | Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, far end |
| Joan Long Memorial Stratified Open Pairs* | two sessions | \$11 | \$12 | Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, front end |
| Bracketed KO Teams III | sessions 3-4 | \$11 | \$12 | Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, far end |
| Saturday-Sunday Continuous/Side Pairs* | 3rd single session | \$11 | \$12 | Marriott Salon D Foyer |
| Fort Western Unit 183 199er, 99er \& 49er Pairs | single session | \$10 | \$11 | Marriott Salon A |
| Fort Western Unit $1830-20$ \& 0-5 Pairs | single session | \$10 | \$10 | Marriott Salon A |
| Helen Shapiro -- Mariam Labovitz 199er Swiss Teams | single session | \$10 | \$11 | Marriott Salon A |
| Sunday, July 25, 1999, 8:00 p.m. |  |  |  |  |
| Saturday-Sunday Continuous/Side Pairs* | 4th single session | \$11 | \$12 | Marriott Salon D Foyer |
| Fort Western Unit 183 199er, 99er \& 49er Pairs | single session | \$10 | \$11 | Marriott Salon A |
| Fort Western Unit 183 0-20 \& 0-5 Pairs | single session | \$10 | \$10 | Marriott Salon A |
| Helen Shapiro -- Mariam Labovitz 199er Swiss Teams | single session | \$10 | \$11 | Marriott Salon A |

## Sunday, July 25, 1999, midnight

